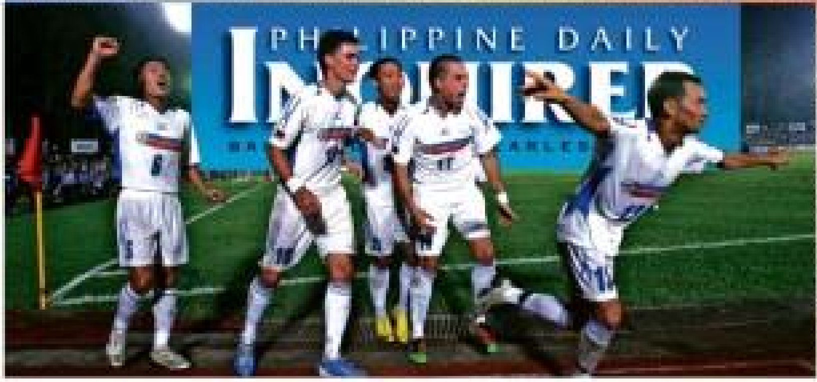
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Reyes suicide seems to chasten senators

THE SENATE appears to have been chastened by the suicide of Angelo Reyes, who was accused by a witness before the blue ribbon committee of pocketing more than P100 million when he was the military chief of staff.

'Be strong, be strong,' he said as he lay dying

Why Reyes shot himself in heart: 'Extreme courage'

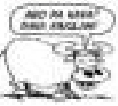
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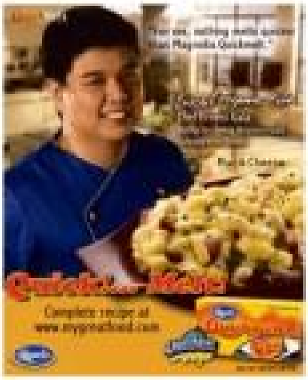


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Row with Taiwan worsens

Taipei demands apology over deportation of Taiwanese to China

By DJ Yap

THE DIPLOMATIC row between the Philippines and Taiwan over the deportation of Taiwanese to China worsened yesterday as Taipei's de facto ambassador to Manila prepared to return home.

Donald C. T. Lee, representative of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office (TECO) who had been recalled to Taiwan, said the Philippines acted out of line when it deported the Taiwanese despite prior notification from Taiwan authorities about their citizenship.

For this, Lee demanded an apology from the Philippine government as he aired dismay on the rights of 80,000 Filipino workers in Taiwan. Yesterday, Lee handed a statement of protest to Justice Secretary Leila de Lima which said the deportation violated Philippine immigration and international laws.

Lee has been recalled by Taiwan over the issue.

Lee said the Philippines' One-China policy, which was used by Philippine authorities as basis for the deportation to China, is "purely a political policy" and not law, as it chastised the Philippine government for intervening in Taiwan Strait affairs when it deported 14 Taiwanese nationals to the mainland early this month.

One-China policy

"Statements have been made to the effect that Philippine authorities acted this way in line with the so-called 'One China Policy.' We understand that it is purely a political policy, and not a law of the Republic of the Philippines," said Lee, who will leave for Taiwan within the week.

"We also understand that any foreign policy should be anchored on national laws to pursue national interests. In this situation, it is the Republic of China (Taiwan) that exercises jurisdiction in Taiwan, and not the People's Republic of China (PROC)," he said at a press conference at the TECO office in Makati City.

Philippine immigration authorities arrested 14 Taiwanese and 10 Chinese nationals in December over an alleged scam to swindle mainlanders out of millions of dollars.

Those arrested were deported to China on Feb. 2, despite protests from Taipei, which said the Taiwanese should have been sent back to the self-governed island to face justice.

Like most countries, the Philippines formally recognizes Beijing rather than Taipei, but maintains trade and tourism ties with Taiwan.

De facto embassies

China considers Taiwan a renegade province and seeks to isolate the island internationally. Although Taiwan and the Philippines have no diplomatic relations, Taipei is represented in Manila by TECO, which acts as Taiwan's de facto embassy in Manila.

The Philippines is represented similarly in Taipei by TECO's counterpart, the Manila Economic and Cultural Office (MECO).

MECO defended the deportation, saying the Taiwanese were deported to China because the victims were Chinese.

But Lee said the Taiwanese should have been deported to the island "based on the principle of nationality in jurisdiction in international law, and through a mechanism established between the two sides of the Taiwan Strait, Beijing and Taipei."

"When Filipinos go to Taiwan, they need to apply for visas through our office, TECO, not through the PROC embassy in the Philippines, and the overseas Filipino workers in Taiwan earn New Taiwan dollar currency, not renminbi," he said.

"Thus when a deportation issue arises about a Filipino residing in Taiwan, our counterpart in Taiwan should consult the government of the Republic of China for consultation, and not to PROC government and vice versa," he said. *With a report from AP*

Shelving of RH bill riles women

DESPITE protests by women's groups, Malacañang is standing pat on its stand that it will not present a responsible parenthood bill to Congress without first concluding its dialogue on the subject with the Catholic Church.

"We're committed to the dialogue and it's only prudent for us to finish it first before taking any further action on the matter," said deputy presidential spokesperson Abigail Valte.

Valte said Palace officials and bishops were due to meet again for a dialogue at the end of the month while President Aquino has already scheduled a Legislative Executive Development Advisory Council (Ledac) meeting for Feb. 28.

The President is expected to present to congressional leaders at the Ledac meeting the 17 Palace-drafted bills that he wants Congress to prioritize for passage this year.

The priority list of 17 measures does not include the responsible parenthood bill that aims, among other things, to set up natural and artificial family planning centers to provide information to couples in planning the size of their families.

The exclusion of the responsible parenthood bill from the Palace's priority list drew protests from women's groups.

Valte said Mr. Aquino was "constantly behind responsible parenthood" but stressed that he was also committed to finishing the dialogue with the bishops.

She also said it was a "misconception" that the President had pushed for the controversial reproductive health (RH) bill when he was campaigning for president last year.

"We have always been consistent that his stand was always for responsible parenthood. Meaning that the choice is left to the parents after they have all the available information given to them and that they will make their choice according to their personal belief. And secondly, that we do not force any method over the other," Valte said. *Christine O. Avendaño*

Gov't to cut rice imports

THE GOVERNMENT will import less than one million metric tons of rice for 2011 because of improved harvests in the first quarter, according to Agriculture Secretary Proceso Alcala.

Alcala said the figure could be between 500,000 to one million metric tons.

He noted that the amount was less than half of the 2.4 million MT rice imported in 2010.

"Our requirement is very minimal because of the performance of our standing crop," he said.

Alcala said the country is looking at "very good harvests" in the first quarter of 2011, despite the rains that have ravaged the countryside of the Philippines.

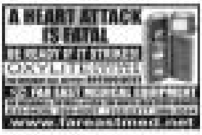
But he said he would rather not talk about the amount of rice to be imported as it could affect the price of the rice to be sold by Filipino farmers.

He said the agriculture department was reviewing the data to avoid over-importation. *(Kristine L. Alave)*

Judge denies judgment on rebel officer



38 more soldiers granted amnesty



Mediamen to sit as observers in DND biddings







Reyes believed he was main target of Senate probe, says former aide



Kinder, gentler Senate in wake of Reyes suicide



Report of AFP cut on UN funds irks solons

DFA withholds UN's $3.3M for Filipino peacekeepers

PNP officer linked to car thefts on trial for fencing

By Tonette Orejas
Inquirer Central Luzon

CAMP OLIVAS, Pampanga—A police official, who was implicated in a government report about suspected protectors of car theft syndicates, is facing a criminal case filed by the office of the Ombudsman in 2009.

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Cimatu home, denies receiving ₱80-M 'pabaon'

By DJ Yap



BACK FROM THE FRONT Ambassador Roy Cimatu, a former AFP chief of staff, arrives at the Ninoy Aquino International Airport on Tuesday night.

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'We mourn today' but...

Noynoy eyes peace deals on Facebook

By Norman Bordadora

PRESIDENT AQUINO is eyeing peace agreements with the communist rebels and Muslim separatists with the help of the social networking sites Facebook and Twitter.

In a speech during the symbolic candle-lighting rites for peace at the Quezon Memorial Circle on Tuesday night, Mr. Aquino said the Office of the Presidential Adviser on the Peace Process would update the public on the peace negotiations with both groups through its Facebook and Twitter accounts.

President Aquino asked the public to buy into the peace advocacy by sending their views and suggestions on how a meaningful peace with the insurgents can be attained, again through the social networking sites.

"Every Filipino is affected by the peace talks. And ever since, I already asked that everyone should participate: be part of the solution instead of adding to the problem," President Aquino said during the Light of Peace candle-lighting rites.

"Some may be asking, 'How can I be part of the solution?' In my belief, it's rather simple. Be informed, be vigilant and participate in issues concerning peace," President Aquino said.

The Daily Gospel

FEBRUARY 10 (Thursday)
Psalter: Week 1
5th Week in Ordinary Time – St. Scholastica
Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5
Blessed are those who fear the Lord.

1st Reading — Gen 2:18-25

Yahweh God said, "It is not good for Man to be alone; I will give him a helper who will be like him." Then Yahweh God formed from the earth all the beasts of the field and all the birds of the air and brought them to Man to see what he would call them; and whatever Man called every living creature, that was its name.

So Man gave names to all the cattle, the birds of the air and to every beast of the field. But he did not find among them a helper like himself. Then Yahweh God caused a deep sleep to come over Man and he fell asleep. He took one of his ribs and filled its place with flesh. The rib which Yahweh God had taken from Man he formed into a woman and brought her to the man. The man then said, "Now this is bone of my bone and flesh of my flesh. She shall be called woman because she was taken from man." That is why man leaves his father and mother and is attached to his wife, and with her becomes one flesh. Both the man and his wife were naked and were not ashamed.

Gospel — Mk 7:24-30

Jesus went to the border of the Tyrian country. There he entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there, but he could not remain hidden. A woman, whose small daughter had an evil spirit, heard of him and came and fell at his feet. Now this woman was a pagan, a Syrophoenician by birth, and she begged him to drive the demon out of her daughter. Jesus told her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." But she replied, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the crumbs from the children's bread." Then Jesus said to her, "You may go your way; because of such a reply the demon has gone out of your daughter." And when the woman went home, she found her child lying in bed and the demon gone.

Reflection:

Here is a strong mother, determined to face and accept everything for the sake of her child: she passed her examination. Faith is not simply the assent to the mind to a creed, but is an expression of love. Faith is grounded in our experience of God's loving act for us. It is when we have experienced loving and caring for others that faith becomes real in our life.





Assistant Editor Tony Bergonia

Across the NATION

Another ex-gov's aide in NBI custody

PUERTO PRINCESA CITY—Another suspect in the murder of environmentalist Gerardo Ortega, said to be a close aide of ex-governor Joel Reyes, is now in the custody of the National Bureau of Investigation here.

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Ilocanos revive bonding feast via 'lubi-lubi'

By Cristina Arzadon
Inquirer Northern Luzon

HOMETOWN Snapshot

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FESTIVAL goers get their share of freshly cooked "lubi-lubi" in the ongoing Pamulinawen Festival.

Recall move vs Samar gov, vice gov gets Comelec OK

By Joey Gabieta
Inquirer Visayas

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The governor and vice governor are children of former Gov. Milagros Tan, who was suspended during her term

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After Angie

EDITORIAL

IT IS difficult not to be moved by the elemental nature of former Defense Secretary Angelo Reyes' suicide on Tuesday. A battle-tested soldier had unexpectedly taken his life in front of his beloved mother's grave. The crisis in which Reyes found himself was truly turbulent, and the Loyola Memorial Park in Marikina City had turned out to be the still center, his personal point of peace, in a storm of surprising ferocity.

Many of us were shocked when we heard of his death, and the shock deepened when we learned that it was in that central stillness where Reyes had drawn the strength, not to persevere, but to kill himself. Because of his role in recent history—he was appointed Armed Forces chief of staff by President Joseph Estrada, became a hero of Edsa 2, served as a close ally of President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo throughout her nine-year term—his suicide may be the most consequential in our history since former Finance Secretary Jaime Ongpin's in 1987.

That he was accused of large-scale and systemic corruption by his former budget officer and an intimate family friend, retired Col. George Rabusa, only adds significance to his suicide. Some of the blood that was shed last Tuesday spattered on the institution he served longest, the system whose flaws eventually swallowed his own reputation: the AFP.

But Sen. Miriam Defensor-Santiago is right: at his moment of death, not having even been formally charged, he was protected by the legal presumption of innocence. And it is almost a certainty that his fellow Filipinos, a famously forgiving people, will over time give him the benefit of the doubt. Very few, we think, will object to full military honors for Reyes at his funeral.

This is one consequence of his sudden death: the return, if not to civility, then at least to a becoming sense of charity, which covers a multitude of sins. Many personalities, from former military rebels like Gregorio Honasan and Rex Robles, to Arroyo allies Rufus Rodriguez and Crispin Remulla, to even the members of the Senate itself, who suspended their investigation into military corruption for an entire week, have called for more compassion and circumspection in the wake of the suicide.

(This is not to say that it was a lack of civility in the Senate hearing which pushed Reyes off the edge; to assert that is to trivialize his final act, and diminish his personal courage.)

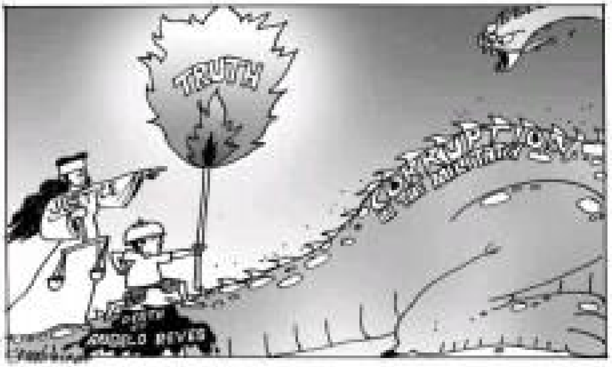
But there are other consequences. It is a grievous mistake to forget them, simply to avoid offending personal or cultural sensitivities. It is, in fact, these very sensitivities—not stepping on toes, not rocking the boat, not disturbing a tradition, etc.—which have allowed corruption, both in the military and outside it, to metastasize.

A greater sense of the seriousness of the very act of alleging corruption is one such consequence. We cannot discount personal or even partisan motives behind any allegation, but we should certainly expect accusers to back their allegations with evidence.

A better perspective on the problem of corruption is another consequence. We must correct the mistaken notion that Reyes was being singled out. The evidence simply led to him. The idea that because there are worse cases of corruption any case against Reyes must wait is fundamentally unjust. Finding evidence is hard enough; waiting for evidence against the more corrupt would cripple any anti-corruption initiative. We must not make excuses for our leaders.

A higher sense of purpose is a third consequence. The death of Reyes should not deter either the Senate from continuing their investigation into military corruption or the House of Representatives from issuing as truthful a report as possible on the same issue, and not excluding Reyes. In the same way, we expect the Senate to get to the bottom of the allegations against Reyes, and if that means summoning the Reyes family for questions, after the period of mourning, then so be it. The self-evident perjury being committed by former comptroller Jacinto Ligot must be scrutinized and, if proven to the Senate's satisfaction, immediately sanctioned. Above all, the plea bargain agreement Carlos F. Garcia entered into with Ombudsman Merceditas Gutierrez must be recalled, and the prosecutors who foiled both case and people penalized.

It is precisely when we realize that our choices have sometimes fatal consequences that we can make the tough but right choices.



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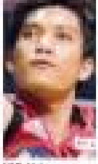
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A NEWLY wed couple join 250,000 protesters on Tuesday in Cairo's Tahrir Square, the biggest demonstration yet against Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak.

Freed Google exec fires up protesters



WAEL GHONIM: We love Egypt.

CAIRO—A young Google executive who helped ignite Egypt's uprising energized a cheering crowd of hundreds of thousands with his first appearance in their midst after being released from 12 days in secret detention. "We won't give up," he promised at one of the biggest protests yet in Cairo's Tahrir (Liberation) Square.

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Your guide to Valentine-in-a-rush (but romantic)





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'Salpicao' with foie gras, 'adobo' croquettes with béchamel sauce—'comfort food revisited'





Drawing diners since it opened, 2nd's takes diners out of their comfort zone and into a field of surprises



Toki's 'wagyu'—a dish hard to beat —and bento surprises for V-Day



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Roll-out Butter Cookies for Valentine's Day





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People all over the world are asking, ‘What’s in my food?’



About 9 out of 10 consumers are demanding more information on what they eat outside of home, says a global Unilever survey

Top questions

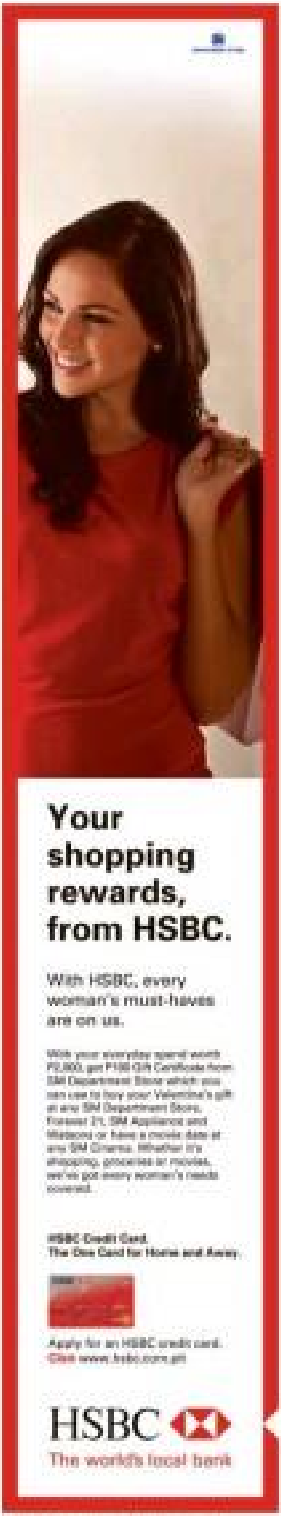
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Marinated lamb rack with creamy mashed potato

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BONELESS CHICKEN BARBECUE

ENTERTAINMENT

Editor: Emmie G. Velarde



SPOTTED at Ben Escudero's(?) show on Saturday at Hard Rock Cafe Makati were Willie Revillame and Shalani Soledad, both apparently enjoying 1970s(?) and [illegible] hits. They stayed till past midnight. —Pocholo Concepcion

Award-winning docu caps Negros fest

By Carla P. Gomez
Inquirer Visayas

BACOLOD CITY—A documentary about an American war veteran, who settled in Negros Occidental and was convicted of rape, shows how poverty can push parents to sell their children, Negrense film director Peque Gallaga said.

"Kano: An American and His Harem," directed by Monster Jimenez, capped the five-day Bacolodwood 3: Visayan Film Festival held at Robinsons Movie World Cinema 4 here.

The film traces the story of Victor Pearson, former US Marine and Vietnam war hero, from his hometown in Oregon, United States, to Barangay [illegible], Ilog, where he had sex with and physically abused numerous local women, some of them minors and siblings.

"Kano" is an "indictment of the system, an eloquent argument for the passage of the reproductive health bill," Gallaga said on Sunday. The film relates how parents allowed their young daughters to live with the ex-Marine. "Initially, it's easy to set up parameters of what is right and wrong," Gallaga added. "Then you ... realize there is something distorted about their (parents') world view."

The film won the 2010 International Documentary Film Festival Amsterdam award for First Appearance and Best Documentary in the 12th Cinemanila International Film Festival last December.



MONSTER Jimenez, left, director of "Kano: An American and His Harem," with Bacolodwood curator Macoy Montelibano. At right, Negrense Peque Gallaga.



VICTOR Pearson and three of the women in "Kano"

By invitation

Pearson settled in Ilog in 1979 and started his harem. He was arrested in August 2001 and charged with 87 counts of rape committed against eight women, mostly minors. Some eventually withdrew their charges. He was convicted of two counts of rape involving a 13-year-old and is now serving an 80-year sentence at the National Penitentiary in Muntinlupa City.

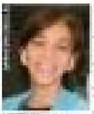
In 2005, Jimenez interviewed Pearson and some of the women. She also went to Oregon to interview his sisters.

The Bacolodwood screening was mostly by invitation; Jimenez and the festival organizers protect the women in the docu.

"Kano" is produced by [illegible], an independent film company where Jimenez is managing director.

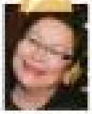
'Heidi,' the movie!

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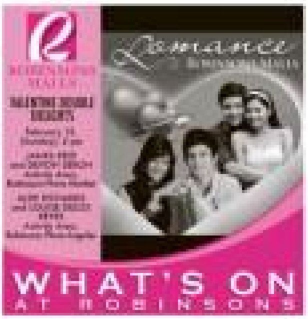


HEIDI Mendoza

TO BE SURE, the dramatic twists and turns of the current Congressional hearings are the stuff box-office hits are made of. During a meeting with Inquirer editors, auditor Heidi Mendoza was asked if she'd allow a movie of her life to be made. She quipped, in good humor: "Only if I get to play myself. I've done a lot of crying the way of [illegible] lately. And only if Marilou Diaz-Abaya will direct it." —Ramon(?) San Diego Jr.



MARILOU Diaz-Abaya



Appropriately wooden portrayal in 'Machete'

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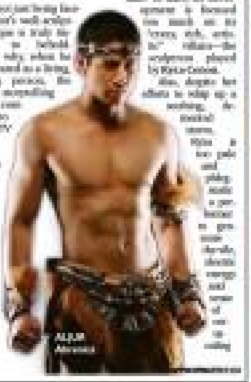
Nestor U. Torre

WE CAUGHT the first few telecasts of the new fantasy teleserye "Machete" recently and found that lead actor Aljur Abrenica was perfectly cast—as a life-sized, wooden statue. It was when his character "woke up" from his petrified state that his portrayal became, uh, problematic.

We're not just being facetious. Aljur's well-sculpted physique is truly his passport to [illegible]. Which is why, when he first appeared as a living, breathing person, the teleserye's storytelling stopped cold, [illegible] too much "admiration."

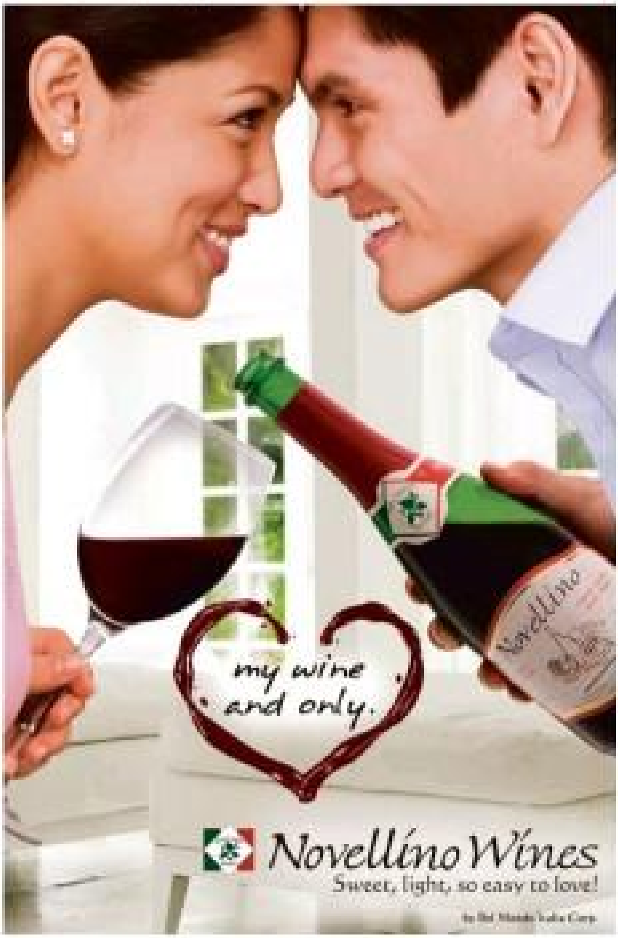
Sure, Aljur's physique is [illegible], but let's not get carried away, please. There's a story to be told, or should be, so get on with it.

As it turns out, the [illegible] "Machete"'s plot is woefully thin. To date, its development is focused too much on its [illegible] villains—the sculptress played by [illegible]. Also, despite her efforts to whip up a seething, [illegible] [illegible]



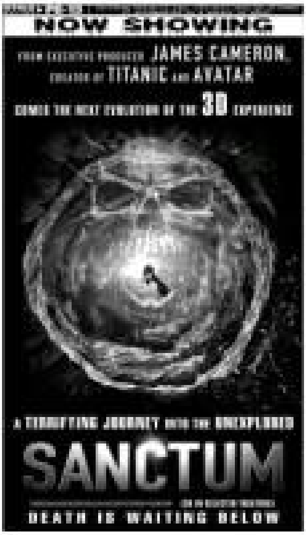
ALJUR Abrenica





Appropriately wooden portrayal in 'Machete'





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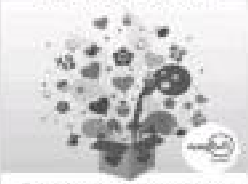
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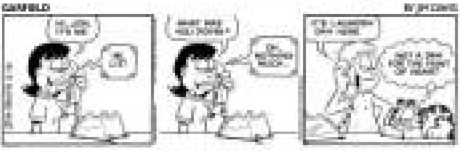


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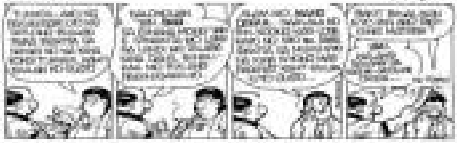
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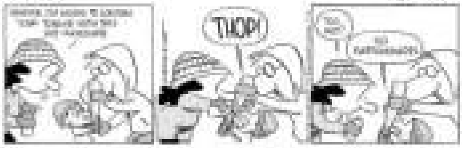
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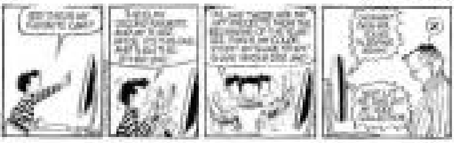
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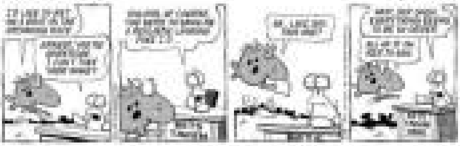


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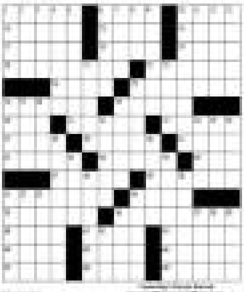
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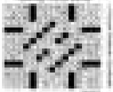
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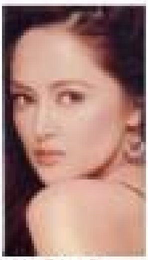
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